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Re: **Public Records Request/ BPD ALPR Usage and DataStorage**

Dear Mr. Musgrave:

You have requested documents in the possession, custody or control of the Boston Police Department under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Specifically, you requested the all documents relating to usage of Automated License Plate Recognition (ALPR) technology by Boston Police Department, including but not limited to documents indicating:

- -scope of ALPR deployment;
- -purposes for which ALPR technology is employed;
- -means of handling and storing ALPR data;
- -extent and timeline for ALPR data storage; and
- -protocols and extent of ALPR data sharing between BPD and other government agencies.

In response to your request, enclosed please find a copy of Special Order# 11-026: License Plate Recognition System (LPR) which is the policy regarding the use of LPR technology. LPR data is not shared with any outside agencies, corporations, or other entities.

Please be advised that this office does not provide legal assistance, opinions or explanations about police policy to the public, and will not respond to any such request. If you have been denied records by the Boston Police Department, you have the right to appeal this decision with the Supervisor of Public Records at the Public Records Division of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Should you have any questions or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Sincerely,

Office of the Legal Advisor
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